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SUBJECT: ROK PRESS REACTION TO MALIK PROPOSAL ON KOREA

1. ROK PRESS HAS FOCUSED ATTENTION ON INDONESIAN FONMIN MALIK'S SEPTEMBER 24 UNGA STATEMENT ON KOREA AS POSSIBLE BASIS FOR COMPROMISE ON KOREAN QUESTION IN 29TH UNGA.

2. NEW YORK DATELINED "HAPDONG" STORIES HAVE REPORTED BOTH MALIK'S CALL FOR UNGA TO ASK SECURITY COUNCIL TO WORK OUT ALTERNATIVE TO ARMISTICE AGREEMENT AND SPECULATION BY "INFORMED DIPLOMATIC SOURCES" THAT MALIK PROPOSAL WILL BE FORMULA FOR SOLUTION OF KOREAN QUESTION. ACCORDING TO SOURCES, NEUTRAL NATIONS INCLUDING MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE WILL SUBMIT A COMPROMISE DRAFT RESOLUTION BASED ON INDONESIAN FORMULA, WHICH SOURCES SAID IS SUPPORTED BY MOST NONALIGNED NATIONS. REPORT ALSO SAYS MANY DIPLOMATIC OBSERVERS IN NEW YORK BELIEVE CHANCES FOR COMPROMISE ON KOREAN QUESTION ARE BETTER NOW THAN AT SAME TIME LAST YEAR, IN CONTRAST TO SITUATION A FEW WEEKS AGO.

3. GOVERNMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE KOREA HERALD SEPTEMBER  
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29 SAID EDITORIALY THAT MALIK'S PROPOSAL THAT UNGA

RECOMMEND THAT SECURITY COUNCIL TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO  
TERMINATE UNC BUT WORK OUT ALTERNATIVE TO GUARANTEE  
ARMISTICE "OFFERS A REASONABLE AND PRACTICAL FORMULA  
THAT DESERVES AMPLE CONSIDERATION BY THE TWO RIVAL CAMPS."  
NOTING THAT LOOMING CONFRONTATION BETWEEN EAST AND WEST ON  
KOREA IN UNGA WOULD AGGRIVATE KOREAN SITUATION, HERALD  
SAYS INDONESIAN FORMULA, REFLECTING MALIK'S DIRECT AND  
OBJECTIVE OBSERVATION OF KOREAN REALITY, COULD LEAD TO  
CONSTRUCTIVE UN CONSENSUS BECAUSE IT RECOGNIZES NEED FOR  
UN GUARANTEE FOR PEACE IN KOREA TO FILL VACUUM LEFT WHEN  
UNC IS DISSOLVED.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT/USUN COMMENTS ON REACTION TO  
MALIK STATEMENT AS WELL AS APPROACH WE ARE TAKING WITH  
OTHERS ON PROPOSAL.  
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